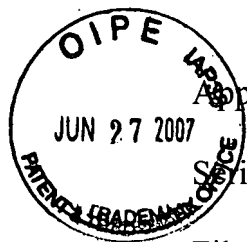


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Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated 19 April 2007, please amend the
above-referenced patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which
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